



# What to Recycle



Remember to:

1. Empty and scrape all containers.
2. Flatten cartons and boxes, and place them inside your cart.
3. Secure shredded paper and textiles inside a clear plastic bag.

## PLASTICS



All plastic items labeled with the numbers 1 through 7\* like:

Soda, water, mouthwash, and mustard containers

Detergent bottles, flower pots, milk jugs, shampoo bottles, spray bottles, yogurt and margarine tubs

PVC pipe, hard plastic toys, compact disc cases

Medicine bottles, squeezable bottles (e.g., honey)

Large reusable water bottles, juice jugs

Clear take-out containers

*\*Return clean plastic bags to grocery store for recycling.  
Soiled plastic bags and polystyrene foam go in the garbage cart.*

## CANS & CARTONS



Beverage cartons and boxes (e.g., juice, milk, cream)

Tin, aluminum, and steel cans and lids:

Food and beverage cans (e.g., soda, tuna, soup, pet food)

Empty aerosol cans

## GLASS



Glass bottles and jars (all colors)

## GARBAGE BIN



Remember, the following items **MUST** go in your garbage bin, **NOT** in your recycling cart or bin:

**Food Diapers  
Polystyrene foam**



## PAPER & CARDBOARD



Cardboard, shoe boxes, cereal and cracker boxes (remove liners)

Catalogs, magazines, newspapers, telephone books

Egg cartons

Gift wrap (no metallic/foil)

Mail, envelopes, advertisements (gloss and plastic windows OK)

Office paper (e.g., construction, printer, and shredded)

Paper shopping bags

*\*Food-contaminated paper such as paper plates and pizza boxes go in the garbage cart.*

## TEXTILES



Clean cotton, linen, polyester, rayon and wool fabrics (e.g. blankets, sheets, clothes)

## SCRAP METALS



Clean aluminum foil and trays

Small metal appliances (e.g., toaster, waffle iron, blender)

Metal lids and caps from glass bottles; keys

Empty paint cans (let paint dry out, then remove and place in garbage cart)

Metal pots and pans

## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW)

For a free drop-off appointment, visit [www.hhw.org](http://www.hhw.org) or call (408) 299-7300 to dispose of items such as batteries, chemicals, electronics, fluorescent light bulbs, and syringes.

